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SUBJ: BOTSWANA MINISTER OF EDUCATION'S VISIT TO SOVIET UNION  
AND YUGOSLAVIA

1. GOB HAS ANNOUNCED THAT MINISTER OF EDUCATION B.C. THEMA, ACCOMPANIED BY SENIOR EDUCATION OFFICER C.A.R. MOTSEPE, HAS RETURNED FROM A THREE-WEEK VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION AND YUGOSLAVIA. THIS WAS MINISTER THEMA'S FIRST VISIT TO EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES AND THE FIRST VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA BY A BOTSWANA CABINET MINISTER.

2. IN THE SOVIET UNION, MINISTER THEMA HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH MINISTERS OF EDUCATION OF THE USSR AND THE UZBEK REPUBLIC. HE VISITED SCHOOLS IN MOSCOW, LENINGRAD, TASHKENT AND SAMARKAND.

3. DURING THE WEEK IN YUGOSLAVIA, THE MINISTER HAD MEETINGS WITH THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTERS OF EDUCATION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC AND THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA. HE ALSO VISITED THE UNIVERSITY OF BELGRADE AND MET WITH BOTSWANA  
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STUDENTS IN YUGOSLAVIA.

4. FYI: MINISTER THEMA INFORMED THE AMBASSADOR THAT THE  
RUSSIANS HAD OFFERED SCHOLARSHIPS FOR BATSWANA STUDENTS;  
THEMA CLAIMED OFFER DECLINED ON THE GROUNDS THAT BOTSWANA  
STUDENTS WERE NOT AVAILABLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THEM.  
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